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People are estimated to spend 80%–90% of their time in buildings—residences, offices, factories, schools, places of worship, public amenities, recreational facilities, *etc.* Thus buildings play a very important role in the lives of individuals and societies. The journal, *Buildings*, is dedicated to publishing leading edge articles on all aspects of buildings—including design, materials, construction, operation, and maintenance. We are particularly interested in innovative developments that transcend traditional disciplinary boundaries.

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